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The longhorn cowfish or *Lactoria cornuta*, pictured above, is a variety of boxfish from the family Ostraciidae, recognizable by its long horns that protrude from the front of its head, rather like those of a cow or bull. They can be found in warm waters of the Indo-Pacific region and can grow up to 20 inches long.

Adults are reef fish, often solitary and territorial, and live around sand or rubble bottom up to a depth of 50 meters. They are omnivores, feeding mostly on bottom-dwelling invertebrates, sponges, algae, and even the occasional smaller fish. Longhorn cowfish are able to blow jets of water into the sandy substrate to uncover hidden prey.